Posted:	
Postea:	

U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management Kremmling Field Office P.O. Box 68 Kremmling, CO 80459

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

NUMBER: DOI-BLM-CO-120-2009-0026-EA

<u>PROJECT NAME</u>: Renewal of Permit Renewal North Park Angus Ranch #0501778 and Walden Venture #0500237

<u>LEGAL DESCRIPTION</u>: Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administered land includes all or part of the following:

07039 (Cowdrey) T. 10 N., R. 80 W., Sec 1

07119 (Canadian) T. 10 N., R. 79 W., Sec 8, 9, 16-18, 19, 20, 29

07120 (Lower Independence) T .11 N., R.80 W., Sec 26-28, 34 and 35

07121 (Pistol Pete)
T. 10 N., R. 80 W., Sec 24, 25
T. 10 N., R. 79 W., Sec 30

APPLICANT: North Park Angus Ranch and Walden Venture

<u>PURPOSE AND NEED FOR THE ACTION</u>: North Park Angus Ranch grazing permit # 0501778 that authorizes grazing on allotments #07039 (Cowdrey) and #07120 (Lower Independence) and Walden Venture grazing permit # 050023 that authorizes grazing on allotments, #07119 (Canadian) and #07121 (Pistol Pete) expire on February 28, 2009. North Park Angus Ranch and Walden Venture have applied to renew their livestock grazing permit. The permit is subject to renewal at the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior for a period of up to 10 years. Renewal of this livestock grazing permit would allow them to continue grazing on their designated allotments for a period of 10 years beginning on March 1, 2009.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES:

Background/Introduction/Issues and Concerns:

During the 1999 permit renewal process, it was determined that allotments 07120 and 07119 were achieving Standards for Public Land Health in Colorado (Standards). Allotments 07039 and 07121were not assessed for Standards because they are custodial allotments with no known resource concerns or problems.

Allotments 07120 and 07119 were again assessed for compliance for Standards in June, 2006. It was determined at that time the allotments are in compliance with the Standards. Allotment 07039 was not assessed for Standards because it is a custodial allotment with no known resource concerns or problems. Allotment 07121 was monitored in 2008 and it was determined to have no known resource concerns.

Currently Walden Venture is being leased by Willford Ranches. The attached grazing permit will be in this name.

<u>Proposed Action</u>: The Proposed Action would renew the livestock grazing permits #0501778 and #0500237.

- The permit would be renewed for 10-years (through February 28, 2019).
- The Standard Terms and Conditions are included in Attachment #2.
- There would be no change in AUMs.
- For permit #0501778 Allotment 07039 would change the season of use to accurately represent livestock use
- For permit #0500237 Allotment 07121 would change the % Public land to 40% due to fence location on private land.
- Allotments 07120 and 07119 would have no changes.
- Conversion to yearlings use would be authorized at a rate, not to exceed 1.5 yearlings per cow.

The renewed livestock grazing permit would authorize grazing to the following extent for permit # 0501778:

Allotment	Liv	Livestock		of Use	% Public Land*	AUMs**
	Numb	er Kind	Begin	End		
07039	88	С	7/1	9/15	56	125
(Cowdrey)						
07120 (Lower	79	С	7/1	9/15	100	200
Independence)						

^{*%} Public Land is the percentage of forage within the public land (BLM) portion of the allotment.

Total AUMs that would be authorized for this permit is 326.

^{**}AUM = animal unit month = amount of forage required to support 1 cow and calf for 1 month.

The renewed livestock grazing permit would authorize grazing to the following extent for permit # 0500237:

Allotment	Lives	tock	Season	of Use	% Public Land*	AUMs**
	Number	Kind	Begin	End		
07119	248	C	7/1	9/07	46	259
(Canadian)						
07121 (Pistol	100	С	6/1	7/5	40	48
Pete)						

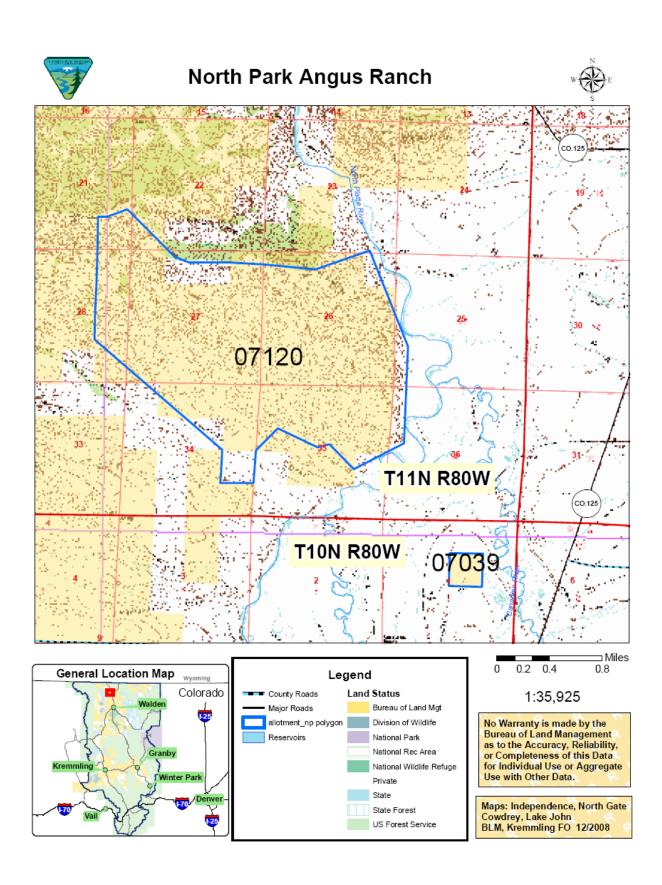
^{*%} Public Land is the percentage of forage within the public land (BLM) portion of the allotment.

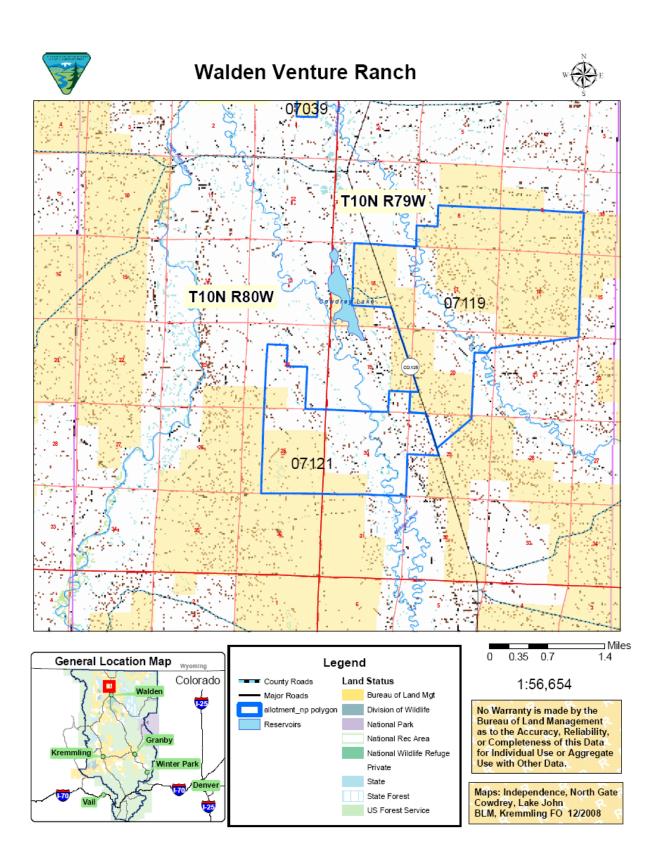
Total AUMs that would be authorized for this permit is 307.

Design Features of the Proposed Action:

- The BLM would monitor these areas for further establishment or expansion of invasive, non-native species.
- The BLM will be responsible for implementing control measures, which would include partnership with the Jackson County Weed Abatement Program.

^{**}AUM = animal unit month = amount of forage required to support 1 cow and calf for 1 month.





<u>No Action Alternative</u>: The No Action Alternative would not implement the new changes to the permits. The permit would be renewed under the old permit (1999- 2009) and stipulations.

- The permit would be renewed for 10-years (through February 28, 2019).
- The Standard Terms and Conditions are included in Attachment #2.
- There would be no change in the season of use or AUMs.

The renewed livestock grazing permit would authorize grazing to the following extent for permit # 0501778:

Allotment	Lives	Livestock		of Use	% Public Land*	AUMs**
	Number	Kind	Begin	End		
07039	50	C	3/1	4/30	56	56
(Cowdrey)						
	6	Horse	3/1	4/30	56	7
	50	С	10/16	12/15	56	56
	6	Horse	10/16	12/15	56	7
07120 (Lower	100	С	8/1	9/30	100	199
Independence)						

^{*%} Public Land is the percentage of forage within the public land (BLM) portion of the allotment.

Total AUMs that would be authorized for this permit is 326.

The renewed livestock grazing permit would authorize grazing to the following extent for permit # 0500237:

Allotment	Livestock		Season of Use		% Public Land*	AUMs**
	Number	Kind	Begin	End		
07119	250	C	7/1	9/07	46	261
(Canadian)						
07121 (Pistol	350	C	5/15	7/5	8	48
Pete)						

^{*%} Public Land is the percentage of forage within the public land (BLM) portion of the allotment.

Total AUMs that would be authorized for this permit is 307.

Alternatives Considered But Eliminated From Further Analysis:

No livestock grazing was considered but eliminated from further analysis for the following reasons:

• Livestock grazing with the Kremmling Field Office was fully analyzed and authorized in the RMP/EIS as recorded in the 1984 Approved Plan and Record of Decision. At that time a "No Grazing Alternative" was considered but not selected.

^{**}AUM = animal unit month = amount of forage required to support 1 cow and calf for 1 month.

^{**}AUM = animal unit month = amount of forage required to support 1 cow and calf for 1 month.

- This alternative is not consistent with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) that stated: "the public lands be managed in a manner which recognizes the Nation's need for domestic sources of minerals, food, timber, and fiber from public lands....."
- During public scoping and staff review there were no issues or concerns identified that would support a "No Grazing Alternative."

It has been determined that significant progress toward achieving compliance with the Standards for Public Land Health in Colorado would occur with the appropriate livestock grazing guidelines set forth in the Proposed Action

<u>PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW</u>: The Proposed Action is subject to and has been reviewed for conformance with the following plan (43 CFR 1610.5, BLM 1617.3):

Name of Plan: Kremmling Resource Management Plan (RMP), Record of Decision (ROD)

Date Approved: December 19, 1984; Updated February 1999

<u>Decision Number/Page</u>: Livestock Grazing: pages 6 and 8, as revised

<u>Decision Language</u>: Objectives of the RMP/ROD include allocation of a base level of livestock forage and maintaining or improving forage production and condition in areas where livestock grazing is a priority or is compatible with the land use priority. The RMP designated the project area with a livestock grazing priority.

<u>AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT / ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES / MITIGATION MEASURES:</u>

INVASIVE, NON-NATIVE SPECIES

Affected Environment: Any type of soil or vegetation disturbance in an area where non-native, invasive species are established promotes their expansion. Within the Standard Terms and Conditions of their permit, the permittee is responsible for notifying the BLM of all county listed noxious weeds which result from their livestock grazing operations.

Environmental Consequences: Any type of soil or vegetation disturbance in an area where non-native, invasive species are established promotes their expansion. Under the No Action or Proposed Action, impacts are expected to be minimal because within the Standard Terms and Conditions of their permit, the permittee is responsible for notifying the BLM of all county listed noxious weeds which result from their livestock grazing operations.

Mitigation: None

VEGETATION (includes a finding on Standard 3)

Affected Environment: The vegetation found in the grazing allotments is a mixture of sagebrush with an understory of grasses and forbs. Allotment 7120 does include small stands of Aspen, snowberry and bitterbrush.

Environmental Consequences: Under the Proposed Action, livestock grazing would continue at the current rate. There would be a change in the season of use for allotment 07039. This is needed because the BLM is surrounded by private land and is grazed in conjunction with the private land. This change would not affect the ability of the vegetation to improve. Allotment 07121 would change the % Public land to 40% due to fence locations found on the private land reducing amount of private land available for grazing when livestock are in the allotment. This change would improve the vegetative vigor and overall cover because the amount of cattle would be reduced.

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for plant and animal communities (partial, see also Wildlife, Aquatic and Wildlife, Terrestrial): Allotments 07020 and 07119 were assessed for compliance for Standards in June 2006. It was determined at that time the allotments are in compliance with the vegetation Standard. Allotment 07039 was not assessed for Standards because it is are low priority allotments with no know resource concerns or problems.

RANGE MANAGEMENT:

Affected Environment: Livestock use in within the grazing allotments 07039, 07120, 07119 and 07121 are generally used as a summer pastures for livestock. These pastures are needed so livestock can be removed from private hay meadows where they are fed during the winter. Once the cattle are moved to the BLM lands the private hay meadows are irrigated for hay.

Environmental Consequences: Under the Proposed Action, there would be a change in livestock and season of use for allotment 07039 and a change in %PL for allotment 07021. There would be no reduction in AUMs in the proposed action. This would not impact livestock movement or the ability of the permittee to continue their livestock operation. Under the no action alternative, there would be no change in season of use or %PL. Not changing the %PL would allow for a potential overuse by livestock as well. Also the current season of use for allotment 07039 is currently not working with their livestock operation.

Mitigation: None

<u>CUMULATIVE IMPACTS SUMMARY</u>: Livestock grazing has been an important use of the public lands in the Kremmling Field Office since the introduction of domestic livestock in the 1870s. Presently, the Field Office supports a grazing program on approximately 378,000 acres of BLM-administered public lands. Currently, these public ranges are licensed at a level of approximately 39,726 Animal Unit Months (AUMs) for livestock.

For the purpose of this EA, the general geographic boundary for cumulative impact analysis is North Park. The lands administered by the Kremmling Field Office are divided north to south by the Continental Divide. The public lands to the north of the divide are generally referred to as North Park, and those to the south of the divide, Middle Park. In North Park, there are approximately 260,000 acres of BLM-administered public lands that are currently being grazed, and 26,656 AUMs that are licensed.

In looking at past actions within the geographic area over the past ten years, there have not been any major changes to the North Park allotments. A majority of the allotments have been assessed for standards and the permits modified when needed due to non-compliance with specific standards or new information that has been received (i.e. new sage grouse lek). A BLM interdisciplinary Team (IDT) assessed two allotments for compliance with the Colorado Public Land Health Standards, and both allotments met standards.

In looking at reasonably foreseeable actions, the Coalmont area in southern Jackson County has seen recent interest in oil and gas development. There is a potential this activity could have a cumulative impact on North Park allotments in the future depending upon the extent of development. Other reasonably foreseeable actions that are projected to occur include minor range improvement projects.

In terms of cumulative impacts to cultural resources, grazing may cause substantial ground disturbance and cause cumulative, long term, irreversible adverse effects to historic properties throughout the Kremmling Field Office. However, as part of the BLM permit renewal process, allotments are being assessed and inventoried for cultural resources. If resources are found and eligible for NRHP, mitigation is implemented. This process is attempting to mitigate any major cumulative impacts to cultural resources in the Kremmling Field Office.

<u>PERSONS / AGENCIES CONSULTED</u>: Starting in February 2008, a scoping process was begun to request information concerning the renewal of grazing permits/leases and to prioritize areas or allotments with issues and concerns. The Field Office sent scoping letters, along with land status maps showing the affected allotments, to the following groups and agencies:

Colorado Division of Wildlife (Steamboat, Walden, Hot Sulphur Springs, Ft Collins); District Board of Grazing Advisors; County Commissioners (Grand, Jackson); Stock Growers (Middle Park, North Park, Upper Big Laramie River Ranch Assoc.); Northwest Resource Advisory Council; United States Forest Service (Silverthorne, Granby, Walden); US Fish and Wildlife Service (Arapaho Wildlife Refuge); Tribal Councils (Arapaho, Shoshone, Southern Ute); Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs; Ute Indian Tribe Uintah & Ouray Agency Business Committee; Colorado Environmental Coalition; Colorado State Land Board.

The BLM Colorado State Office also mailed outreach letters, concerning the renewal of grazing permits/leases, to all Congressional offices, State and Federal agencies, and major environmental, conservation, and user group organizations.

In addition, individual letters were sent to the affected permittees/lessees informing them that their permit/lease was up for renewal and requested any information they wanted included in, or taken into consideration, during the renewal process. A Notice of Public Scoping was posted on the Internet, at the Colorado BLM home page, asking for public input on permit/lease renewals and the assessment of public land health standards within the Field Office. This notice was followed up in October with an Internet posting of the Field Office prioritization of allotments and a determination as to which allotments would be assessed according to the land health standards. The proposed project was also posted on the Kremmling Internet NEPA Register.

<u>INTERDISCIPLINARY REVIEW</u>: See IDT-RRC in Appendix 1.

FONSI

DOI-BLM-CO-120-2009-0026-EA

Based on the analysis of potential environmental impacts contained in the attached environmental assessment, and considering the significance criteria in 40 CFR 1508.27, I have determined that the Proposed Action will not have a significant effect on the human environment. An environmental impact statement is therefore not required.

DECISION RECORD

<u>DECISION</u>: It is my decision to authorize the Proposed Action as described in the attached EA and renew livestock grazing permits 0501778 and 0500237 until February 28, 2019. The new permits will be subject to the mitigation measures included below.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The proposed action was chosen because it would result in better livestock distribution, improve vegetative vigor and overall cover, protect watershed conditions, produce more plant material available for bird use, especially by those species that nest on the ground, and improve habitat conditions for sage-grouse.

When a livestock grazing permit/lease expires, it is subject to renewal at the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior for a period of up to ten years. Livestock grazing, when properly managed in accordance with good rangeland ecology practices, has been proven to result in improved land health. The public benefits from public lands which are maintained in a healthy condition and are able to produce sustainable resources for a variety of uses.

The livestock producer benefits from a renewed livestock grazing permit/lease to graze forage on BLM managed land. Livestock grazing on BLM managed land is an integral part of the livestock producer's operation, and an important part of local rural economies

MITIGATION MEASURES:

Cultural:

-A Class III field inventory will be completed within the ten-year expiration period of the grazing permit. Mitigation would be identified and implemented in consultation with the Colorado State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) if historic properties are located during the subsequent field inventory and if BLM determines that grazing activities would adversely impact the properties.

<u>COMPLIANCE/MONITORING</u>: Compliance with the renewed livestock grazing permit and its associated terms and conditions will be accomplished through the Kremmling Field Office Range Management Program. Livestock grazing will be monitored by the range staff and other area personnel, as appropriate, to ensure compliance. The Kremmling Field Office Range

Monitoring Plan will be used to schedule periodic utilization checks, collect trend data, and evaluate allotment condition. When activity plans have been developed covering an allotment, monitoring methods and schedules included in them will be applied to the allotment. Changes will be made to the permit, based on monitoring, when changes are determined necessary to further protect land health.

NAME OF PREPARER: Peter Torma

NAME OF ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR: Susan Cassel

DATE: 3/30/09

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL: /s/ Peter McFadden

DATE SIGNED: 4/7/09

ATTACHMENTS:

1). Livestock grazing permits # 0501778 and 0500237

2). Standard Term and Conditions

APPENDICES:

Appendix 1 – Interdisciplinary Team Analysis Review Record and Checklist

Appendix 2 – Bibliography (if citations are used)

Appendix 1

INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM ANALYSIS REVIEW RECORD AND CHECKLIST:

Project Title: North Park Angus Ranch and Walden Venture

Project Leader: Peter Torma

Date Proposal Received: (Only for external proposals)

Date Submitted for Comment: 12/8/08 Due Date for Comments: 2/25/09

Need for a field Exam: (If so, schedule a date/time)

Scoping Needs/Interested or Affected Publics: (Identify public scoping needs)

Consultation/Permit Requirements:

Consultation	Date	Date	Responsible	Comments
	Initiated	Completed	Specialist/	
			Contractor	
Cultural/Archeological Clearance/SHPO	1/20/2009	1/20/2009	BBW	Past actions have resulted in a cultural resource inventory to determine if those
				actions would cause potential adverse affects
				to known and unknown cultural resources
				sites from livestock grazing, motorized
				travel, and recreational use. When project
				undertakings are identified a cultural resource
				inventory would be conducted to determine if
				sites are present and their eligibility, project effects, and mitigation requirements if
				necessary.
Native American	1/20/2009	1/20/2009	BBW	Consultation was completed for the original
				allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify
				traditional cultural properties.
T&E Species/FWS	N/A	N/A	MM	traditional calcular properties.
Permits Needed (i.e.	N/A	N/A	PB	
Air or Water)				

(NP) = Not Present

(NI) = Resource/Use Present but Not Impacted

(PI) = Potentially Impacted and Brought Forward for Analysis.

NP	Discipline/Name		Date	Initia	Review Comments (required for Critical
NI			Review	ls	Element NIs, and for elements that require a
PI			Comp.		finding but are not carried forward for
					analysis.)
			CRITICAL	ELEME	NTS
NI	Air Quality	Belcher	2/26/09	PB	The Proposed Action does not impact air
					quality.
NP	Areas of Critical Enviro	onmental	3/30/09	SC	There are no Areas of Critical Environmental
	Concern	Cassel			Concern in the proximity of the proposed
					project area.
NI	Cultural Resources	Wyatt	1/20/2009	BBW	Past actions have resulted in a cultural resource
		-			inventory to determine if those actions would
					cause potential adverse affects to known and

Regions Region			T	1	
When project undertakings are identified a cultural resource investory would be conducted to determine if sites are present and their cligibility, project effects, and mitigation requirements if necessary. NP					unknown cultural resources sites from livestock
Region Religion					
Private Priv					
Particular Proposed Particular Proposed Particular Proposed Pro					
Region Region Region Region Region Region Regions Region					
NP Farmlands, Prime and Unique Belcher 2/26/09 PB Prime and Unique Belcher 2/26/09 PB Prime and Unique Belcher 2/26/09 PB Prime and Unique Panning Area.					
Statistics (2000), there are no minority or low income communities within the Kremmling Planning Area. Prime and Unique Belcher Prime and Unique Belcher Prime and Unique Belcher Prime and Unique Belcher Prime and Unique Planning Area. Private lands within the allotments, but would not be impacted by this action. Private lands within Allotment 7121 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River floodplains. The grazing permit does not affect the functionality of the floodplains nor does it increase the flood hazard. Private lands within Allotment 7121 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River floodplains. The grazing permit does not affect the functionality of the floodplains nor does it increase the flood hazard. Private lands within Allotment 7121 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River floodplains. The grazing permit does not affect the functionality of the floodplains nor does it increase the flood hazard. Private lands within Allotment 7121 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River floodplains. The grazing permit does not affect the functionality of the floodplains nor does it increase the flood hazard. Private lands within Allotment 7121 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River River and the Michigan River and the Michigan River and the Michigan River River and t					
NP Farmlands, Prime and Unique Belcher Selcher Prime and Unique Belcher Prime and Unique Belcher Selcher	NP	Environmental Justice Cassel	3/30/09	SC	
Planning Area. Planning Area.					
NP Farmlands, Prime and Unique Belcher Selcher					
Prime and Unique Belcher Prime and Unique Belcher Proximity of the proposed project area. Farmlands of state or local importance may occur on private lands within the allotments, but would not be impacted by this action. NI Floodplains Belcher 2/26/09 PB Private lands within Allotment 7119 and within Allotment 7121 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River floodplains. The grazing permit does not affect the functionality of the floodplains nor does it increase the flood hazard. NP Non-native Species Non-native Species Non-native Species NEGuire NI Migratory Birds McGuire NI Native American Religious Concerns NI Native American NI T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) McGuire NP Wastes, Hazardous And Solid MacGuire NP Wastes, Hazardous And Solid NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground					
Farmlands of state or local importance may occur on private lands within the allotments, but would not be impacted by this action. Floodplains	NP		2/26/09	PB	
NI Floodplains Belcher 2/26/09 PB Pivate lands within the allotments, but would not be impacted by this action. PB Pivate lands within Allotment 7121 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River floodplains. The grazing permit does not affect the functionality of the floodplains nor does it increase the flood hazard. Non-native Species Johnson Torma Scott Non-native Species Johnson Scott Non-native Species Non-native Spec		Prime and Unique Belcher			
NI Floodplains Belcher 2/26/09 PB Private lands within Allotment 7119 and within Allotment 7119 and within Allotment 7119 and within Allotment 7119 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River Inoodplains. The grazing permit does not affect the functionality of the floodplains nor does it increase the flood hazard. NI Migratory Birds McGuire 2/25/09 MM See Analysis.					
NI Floodplains Belcher 2/26/09 PB Private lands within Allotment 7119 and within Allotment 7121 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River floodplains. The grazing permit does not affect the functionality of the floodplains nor does it increase the flood hazard.					occur on private lands within the allotments,
Allotment 7121 respectively contain the Canadian River and the Michigan River floodplains. The grazing permit does not affect the functionality of the floodplains nor does it increase the flood hazard. NP					but would not be impacted by this action.
NP Invasive, Non-native Species Johnson Torma Scott NI Migratory Birds McGuire M	NI	Floodplains Belcher	2/26/09	PB	Private lands within Allotment 7119 and within
Invasive, Non-native Species Johnson Non-native Species Scott					Allotment 7121 respectively contain the
Invasive, Non-native Species Johnson Non-native Species Torma Scott					Canadian River and the Michigan River
Invasive, Non-native Species Johnson Non-native Species Torma Scott					
Invasive, Non-native Species Johnson Non-native Species Scott NI Migratory Birds McGuire 2/25/09 MM The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no migratory birds concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect migratory birds. NI Native American Religious Concerns Wyatt Religious Concerns McGuire					
Non-native Species					
NI Migratory Birds McGuire Z/25/09 MM The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no migratory birds concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect migratory birds concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect migratory birds. NI	NP	Invasive, Johnson	2/11/09	MS	See Analysis.
Migratory Birds McGuire 2/25/09 MM The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no migratory birds concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect migratory birds. NI Native American Wyatt Religious Concerns Myatt Religious Concerns Migratory Birds McGuire Migratory Birds Mig		Non-native Species Torma			
the present management, of which there are no migratory birds concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect migratory birds. NI Native American Religious Concerns NI Native American Religious Concerns NI T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) NEGuire NI T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) NEGuire NI Wastes, Hazardous And Solid NI Wastes, Hazardous And Solid NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Find					
MI Native American Religious Concerns NI Native American Religious Concerns NI T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) NP Wastes, Hazardous and Solid NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) NI Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor NI Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor NI Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor May Consultation oas completed for the original allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional cultural properties. NI The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones PB The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality. NI There are no particle for the original allotment renewal. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable cha	NI	Migratory Birds McGuire	2/25/09	MM	The No Action Alternative is a continuation of
NI Native American Religious Concerns NI Native American Religious Concerns NI Religious Concerns NI T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) NEGuire NP Wastes, Hazardous and Solid NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2					the present management, of which there are no
Native American Wyatt Religious Concerns Ni Native American Wyatt Religious Concerns Ni Religious Concerns 2/25/09 Minding on Standard 4) McGuire 2/25/09 MM The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) McGuire Ni Wastes, Hazardous Hodgson and Solid 1/7/09 KH There are no quantities of wastes, hazardous or solid, located on BLM-administered lands in the proposed project area, and there would be no wastes generated as a result of the Proposed Action or No Action alternative. NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher 2/26/09 PB The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB The reare both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River					migratory birds concerns. The Proposed
NI Native American Religious Concerns NI Native American Religious Concerns NI Religious Concerns NI T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) NEGuire NI Wastes, Hazardous and Solid NI Waster Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 2) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard					Action does not alter anything that would affect
Native American Religious Concerns					
NI T/E, and Sensitive Species 2/25/09 MM The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no T/E, and Sensitive Species concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect T/E, and Sensitive Species. NP Wastes, Hazardous Hodgson and Solid 1/7/09 KH There are no quantities of wastes, hazardous or solid, located on BLM-administered lands in the proposed project area, and there would be no wastes generated as a result of the Proposed Action or No Action alternative. NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher PB The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River	NI	Native American Wyatt	1/20/2009	BBW	Consultation was completed for the original
NI T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) McGuire NY Wastes, Hazardous and Solid NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 3) The Proposed Action in private		Religious Concerns			allotment renewal. Future undertakings would
NI T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) McGuire NY Wastes, Hazardous and Solid NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 3) The Proposed Action in private					require tribal consultation to identify traditional
NI					
(Finding on Standard 4) McGuire the present management, of which there are no T/E, and Sensitive Species concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect T/E, and Sensitive Species. NP Wastes, Hazardous Hodgson and Solid Finding on Standard 5) Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Wetlan	NI	T/E, and Sensitive Species	2/25/09	MM	The No Action Alternative is a continuation of
T/E, and Sensitive Species concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect T/E, and Sensitive Species. NP Wastes, Hazardous Hodgson and Solid NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Wetland					the present management, of which there are no
Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect T/E, and Sensitive Species. NP Wastes, Hazardous and Solid NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 3) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 5) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 5) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 5) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 5) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 5) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones					
Wastes, Hazardous and Solid					
NP Wastes, Hazardous and Solid NP Wastes, Hazardous and Solid NP Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (1		, ,
and Solid and Solid solid, located on BLM-administered lands in the proposed project area, and there would be no wastes generated as a result of the Proposed Action or No Action alternative. NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River	NP	Wastes, Hazardous Hodgson	1/7/09	KH	
the proposed project area, and there would be no wastes generated as a result of the Proposed Action or No Action alternative. NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River)	1		
no wastes generated as a result of the Proposed Action or No Action alternative. NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor Action or No Action alternative. The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River					
NI Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River			1		
(Finding on Standard 5) Belcher the present management, of which there are no water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River	NI	Water Quality Surface and Ground	2/26/09	PR	
water quality concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River	. 11	= *	2,20,07	1.5	
does not alter anything that would affect water quality. NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River		(I mains on building 3)			
NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher Belcher Belcher Belcher PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River					
NI Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher Belcher PB There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are both private and public wetlands and riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur.					
(Finding on Standard 2) Belcher riparian zones within the allotment that are considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River	NI	Wetlands & Rinarian Zones	2/26/09	PB	
considered to be meeting the Standard. The Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River	111	=	2,20,0)		
Proposed Action is primarily permit (paper) changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River		(I mains on brandard 2)	1		
changes, and no measurable change in the current situation would occur. NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River					
NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River			1		
NP Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor 3/27/09 AW There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River			1		
	NP	Wild and Scenic Rivers Windsor	3/27/09	AW	
segments in the proposed project area.					

NP	Wilderness Mounkous	ki 3/27/09	JJM	There is no designated Wilderness or
- 1,2	1120211000	0,21,05	001/12	Wilderness Study Areas in the proximity of the
				proposed project area.
				must be made for these elements)
NI	Soils (Finding on Standard 1) Belche	er 3/25/09	PB	There are no soil concerns under the present (No Action Alternative). The Proposed Action will not affect soil resources.
PI	Vegetation Johnso (Finding on Standard 3) Torma Scott	1	PT	See vegetation section
NI	Wildlife, Aquatic (Finding on Standard 3) McGuin	re 2/25/09	MM	The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no aquatic wildlife concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect aquatic wildlife.
NI	Wildlife, Terrestrial (Finding on Standard 3) McGui	2/25/09	MM	The No Action Alternative is a continuation of the present management, of which there are no terrestrial wildlife concerns. The Proposed Action does not alter anything that would affect terrestrial wildlife.
	OT	HER NON-CRI	TICAL E	ELEMENTS
NI	Access/Transportation Monkous	ski 2/24/09	JJM	No Impacts.
NI	Forest Management K. Belch		KB	No impact to forest resources.
NI	Geology and Minerals Hodgs		KH	No impacts.
NP	Fire Wyatt		BBW	Grazing would reduce light flashy fuels.
NI	Hydrology/Water Rights Belche		PB	There are no hydrologic or water rights impacts from the Proposed Action or No Action Alternative.
NI	Paleontology Rupp	1/16/2009	FGR	No impacts to fossil resources from renewing permit, or the no action alternative. Proposed ground disturbing projects will be reviewed on a project by project basis to determine the need for paleontological inventory.
NI	Noise Monkous l	ki 2/24/09	JJM	No Impacts.
PI	Range Management Johnso Torma Scott		PT	See Rangeland Management section
NI	Lands/ Realty Authorizations Cassel		SC	There are no permits in the location of the proposed action. There are several ROWs: COC-12349 & COC-22720 to WAPA; COC-9231 to CenturtyTel of Eagle; COC-8482 & COC-56254 to Mountain Parks Electric; COD-012137 to Union Pacific Railroad and COC-61067 to Revere Corp for a road. These ROWs would not be affected by the proposed action or the no action alternative. There is a R&PP lease, COC-65446001, to the CDOW for a recreation area which will not be impacted by the proposed action or the no action alternative.
NI	Recreation Monkousk	i 3/2/09	JJM	Under the proposed action no impacts would occur to recreational opportunities that include fishing, camping, hunting, hiking, and watching wildlife. Facilities located at Cowdrey Lake are managed by the Colorado Division of Wildlife and would not be impacted under the proposed action.

NI	Socio-Economics Cassel	3/30/09	SC	Since there would be no change in use, there		
				would be no socio-economic impacts.		
NI	Visual Resources Windsor	2/17/09	AW	The proposed action and the no action		
				alternative would not impact visual resources.		
NI	Cumulative Impact Summary	3/30/09	SC	See Analysis		
	Cassel			-		
	FINAL REVIEW					
	P&E Coordinator					